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Report Highlights:

Egyptian rice exports from January-September 2006 totaled 696,279 MT.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Cairo [EG1] [EG] From the beginning of January through the end of September 2006, Egypt exported 696,279 MT of rice compared to 1,141,854 MT during the same period last year. The decrease in rice exports during this period was mainly due to the speculation by wholesalers of rough rice in order to increase the prices. However, starting October 2006 (the new crop), rice exports picked up again and exports from October up to December first are estimated at over 400,000 MT. The average export price for medium grain rice grade #2 (5 percent broken) was \$405 per MT FOB, compared to \$315 per MT FOB during the same period in 2005.

Countries of destination were as follows:

| EGYPT Rice Exports CY 2006 | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|
| July/06 | | August/06 | | September/06 | |
| Destination | Quantity (MT) | Destination | Quantity (MT) | Destination | Quantity (MT) |
| Syria | 19,055 | Ukraine | 8,170 | Jordan | 4,570 |
| Turkey | 6,063 | United States | 5,387 | Turkey | 3,870 |
| Russia | 5,190 | Syria | 4,805 | Syria | 3,410 |
| Jordan | 4,388 | Romania | 2,354 | Ukraine | 1,255 |
| Kenya | 2,262 | Turkey | 1,750 | | |
| U.K. | 2,104 | Croatia | 1,450 | | |
| Belgium | 2,016 | Libya | 1,300 | | |
| Tanzania | 2,004 | | | | |
| Germany | 1,296 | | | | |
| Lebanon | 1,122 | | | | |
| Sub total | 45,500 | Sub total | 25,216 | Sub total | 13,105 |
| Others | 6,945 | Others | 4,304 | Others | 3,239 |
| Total | 52,445 | Total | 29,520 | Total | 16,344 |
| Grand Total | 98,309 | | | | |